



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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### STATUS OF CALIFORNIA TASK FORCE 2 IN HAITI

Our Department's Urban Search and Rescue team, California Task Force 2, remains in Haiti to assist USAID with its rescue and recovery efforts. All members of the team are in good health and spirits, and continue to be available to respond to locations as needed. Today, they are at the Montana Hotel, assisting with an ongoing recovery operation. They have also been assisting structural engineers with the assessment of buildings and bridges, and providing humanitarian assistance as well.

On Saturday, January 23, 2010, the team assisted a French USAR team and a Fairfax, Virginia team in pulling a 24-year-old man from the Hotel Napoli Inn. The man had been trapped for nearly 12 days in the hotel's grocery shop. He appeared to be in good condition with no significant injuries.

The team is slated to depart Haiti later this week, sometime after Wednesday. We continue to host daily conference calls each evening with their family members to keep them informed about their loved ones. The family members are also in good spirits as they enthusiastically await the team's return to Los Angeles. Logistical support for the team's activities continues here from our Deployment Support Coordinator, Battalion Chief Tom Ewald, and his team located at our Pacoima facility.

If anything significant changes, I will let you know as soon as possible. In the meantime, please call me at (323) 881-2401 if you have any questions.

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